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File: USPT

Nov 4, 1997

US-PAT-NO: 5684984

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5684984 A

TITLE: Synchronization and replication of object databases

DATE-ISSUED: November 4, 1997

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FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 395/650, 395/157, 395/600, 395/425, 395/610, 395/611, 395/613, 395/614, 395/616, 395/479, 395/342, 364/408, 364/401, 348/7, 379/207

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ART-UNIT: 237

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Black; Thomas G.

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Lewis; C.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Burns, Doane, Swecker & Mathis, L.L.P.

ABSTRACT:

The present invention, generally speaking, provides a method of synchronizing information between a plurality of sites and a central location that solves number of potentially "thorny" problems of distributed database systems in an elegant and efficient manner. The first issue involves synchronizing different copies of an item on machines that are not continuously linked at which each copy may be changed independently. Rather than attempting to formulate a set of synchronization policies generally applicable to all items in all instances, synchronization policies are moved from the database engine to the items themselves. The second issue involves lifetime--knowing, given a complex set of interrelationship of items, when an item may be safely deleted. This problem is addressed by providing an interested party mechanism whereby items may "express interest" in each other. When no item is interested in a particular item, that item may safely "go away".

11 Claims, 15 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Apr 1, 1997

US-PAT-NO: 5617568

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5617568 A

TITLE: System and method for supporting file attributes on a distributed file system without native support therefor

DATE-ISSUED: April 1, 1997

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ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 8/ 355868

DATE FILED: December 14, 1994

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US-CL-ISSUED: 395/612; 395/712

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FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 395/600, 395/700, 395/612, 395/712, 364/DIG.1, 364/DIG.2

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ART-UNIT: 237

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Black; Thomas G.

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Von Buhr; Maria N.

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ABSTRACT:

A system and method to provide native support in a distributed computing environment distributed file system for an operating system's extended file attributes. Such attributes remain invisible in the namespace which the operating system's distributed file system clients may access. A directory of the form *.sub.-- for a file in DFS namespace is created for which extended attributes (EA) are required, with a subdirectory thereunder whose name is that of the file. Extended attributes are filed under this *.sub.-- directory having filenames of the attributes' names. Provision is made for discriminating EAs and for efficiently accessing total EA size and number of critical EAs, by cumulating and storing them in an additional file under the subdirectory.

18 Claims, 12 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Mar 16, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5884328

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5884328 A

TITLE: System and method for synchronizing a large database and its replica

DATE-ISSUED: March 16, 1999

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INT-CL: [6] G06F 17/30

US-CL-ISSUED: 707/202; 707/702

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ART-UNIT: 271

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ABSTRACT:

A primary computer system maintains a master audit trail of changes made to the primary database. A fuzzy database copy of a portion of the primary database is generated by copying the primary database portion using a shared load operation so as to copy the primary database portion without regard to changes being made to the primary database portion while the fuzzy copy is being generated. The fuzzy database copy is installed at a backup computer system. An extractor process executed by the primary computer system extracts audit records from the master audit trail corresponding to the primary database portion, and sends audit information corresponding to extracted audit records to the backup system. The sent audit information includes audit information corresponding to all audit records, including both update and backout audit records, representing changes made to the primary database portion by (A) transactions while the fuzzy database copy was generated, and (B) transactions that were active while the fuzzy database copy was generated and that continue to be active thereafter. The sent audit information also includes audit information corresponding to all audit records representing updates made to the primary database portion by the transactions after the fuzzy database copy was generated. At the backup system the audit information sent by the extractor process is received and applied to the fuzzy database copy so as to generate a synchronized backup database, by performing redos of the database updates corresponding to the audit information sent to the backup system.

10 Claims, 20 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Jul 7, 1998

US-PAT-NO: 5778395

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5778395 A

TITLE: System for backing up files from disk volumes on multiple nodes of a computer network

DATE-ISSUED: July 7, 1998

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INT-CL: [6] G06F 17/30

US-CL-ISSUED: 707/204; 707/10

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ART-UNIT: 271

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ABSTRACT:

A system for backing up files from disk volumes on multiple nodes of a computer network to a common random-access backup storage means. As part of the backup process, duplicate files (or portions of files) may be identified across nodes, so

that only a single copy of the contents of the duplicate files (or portions thereof) is stored in the backup storage means. For each backup operation after the initial backup on a particular volume, only those files which have changed since the previous backup are actually read from the volume and stored on the backup storage means. In addition, differences between a file and its version in the previous backup may be computed so that only the changes to the file need to be written on the backup storage means. All of these enhancements significantly reduce both the amount of storage and the amount of network bandwidth required for performing the backup. Even when the backup data is stored on a shared-file server, data privacy can be maintained by encrypting each file using a key generated from a fingerprint of the file contents, so that only users who have a copy of the file are able to produce the encryption key and access the file contents. To view or restore files from a backup, a user may mount the backup set as a disk volume with a directory structure identical to that of the entire original disk volume at the time of the backup.

24 Claims, 14 Drawing figures